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KAY FRANCIS WOWS WARDS

**Popular Movie Actress First
Entertainer To Spend So
Much Time With "Boys"**

Bubbling with enthusiasm and personality, movie star, Kay Francis toured the wards at this hospital last Wednesday in a manner that left every patient feeling that he was Kay's shipmate.

Miss Francis completely won the hospital from officer to apprentice seaman. She became the first celebrity to visit practically the entire day and direct her individual attention toward every patient in the countless wards that she visited. Her personalized conversations led from information about movie stars to the autographing of casts, phonograph records, pictures, stationery and numerous other articles. Various "short snorter" bills were also uncovered for her endorsement.

After noon chow as a guest of our commanding officer, Captain J. T. Boone, Miss Francis appeared on the stage in the Recreation Hall where she entertained both staff members and up-patients with anecdotes of her "3-shows-a-day" jeep tour of the fighting front in Africa, England and the Aleutians.

Returning again to the wards, she caused a new innovation in the field of keepsakes by allowing patients in Ward 20 to pluck hairs from her head for souvenirs.

Miss Francis stated before she left that her future calls for another motion picture and then an extended entertainment tour of the South Pacific battlefield.

Archery Offered To Staff and Patients

Archery has entered into the rapidly expanding Recreation program here. An archery range has been constructed near the Waves Barracks that is available for Nurses, Waves and Cadet Nurses. These groups may use the range at the same hours they now use the Nurses' tennis courts. An archery range for corpsmen and patients will be constructed adjacent to the Corpsmen Barracks.



"Hand Holding" Was the Favorite Sport in Ward 20 Last Wednesday as Kay Francis Took the Hospital by Charm With Her Democratic Personality.

Discharge Need Not Affect Life Insurance

Your discharge from the Navy or Marine Corps does not in any way affect your NSI (National Service Insurance), except that if you have been paying premiums by allotment, you will now have to pay them direct to the Veteran's Administration. Premiums do not increase because you leave the service.

How To Pay For NSI

The premiums are due monthly. The day of the month that your premium is due is the same day of the month that your insurance first went into force. (This is given on your NSI certificate). The last allotment from your pay paid the premium due in the following month.

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Staff Member Wins In Green Lake Speed Swim

Tom Evans, AS(V-12), whipped the cream of Seattle swimmers last week when he won the 50-yard backstroke title in the Seattle Star swimming races held at Green Lake. P. Gloyd, AS(V-12), also of this hospital, placed second in the 100-yard freestyle.

Barber Shop Introduces Wax Shoe Shine

Glistening shoe shines that outlast three to four ordinary shine jobs are now offered to customers at the Ship's Service Shoe Shine Stand in the Barber Shop.

C. J. Falco, SC2c, who is in charge of shoe shining activities, reports that the new wax shine produces a lasting sheen that is superior to anything on the market.

War Films To Be Shown Here

Educational services of the Seattle Naval Hospital through the cooperation of the training aids section have procured the latest films on war orientation and have arranged a schedule for their showing at the Educational building on Thursdays at 1300.

The program of films is primarily for patients, but all staff members who are interested and are able to attend, may do so. If enough staff members are interested another showing will be arranged for them.

The purpose of these movies is to help the military man and woman to find out . . . Why we fight; whom we fight; what our allies are doing; how we fight; and his or her place in the war.

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FROM YOUR SKIPPER

CONGRATULATIONS

Two years have transpired since the WOMEN ACCEPTED for VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY SERVICE was organized. This was a long name to give an infant and as with most infants stigmatized by proud and adoring parents with long names, the child shortly receives a nickname which as a rule it carries through life. So it is with the WOMEN ACCEPTED for VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY SERVICE. Happily they are known as "WAVES." If there were any skepticism when the baby was born as to its welcome and popularity, it has long hence been dispelled. After two years the child has kicked itself out of its swaddling clothes; has ceased to creep or be lead by the hand and now walks itself, even with confidence and with an assured stride of "really belonging."

The Navy is proud of the accomplishments of the WAVES. It is happy to have the innovation of a woman's group as an integral part of what has always been thought of as a man's organization. The skeptics have been routed by virtue of the efficient and excellent performance of duty of the WAVES. They have amazingly and rapidly molded themselves into the pattern of a military force without disturbing or disrupting the machinery that motivates that force. It has taken many generations to become a soldier or a sailor. Women have quickly assumed their place as soldiers or sailors and have demonstrated they are able to march in the military column without disturbing its cadence. This in itself is a great tribute to womanhood. I have long felt that in dealing with the administrative problems of the WAVES we should have a greater tolerance for their minor shortcomings. It is not just to expect the same reactions in the female that we rightly do of the male in meeting the requirements of discipline which is the foundation of a military organization. However, the WAVES have demonstrated that they can meet strict disciplinary requirements in their naval life. They have a high sense of duty, a respect for authority, a conscientiousness and a sincerity of purpose. In many respects they are more military in appearance and manner than the male members of the naval service. The WAVES have performed their duty so admirably and have demonstrated their effectiveness and efficiency so definitely that it is hoped that they will be a permanent part of the naval establishment. If they can meet the trying requirements of war they certainly can fulfill a most useful service during PEACE!

Congratulations to the WAVES on their second birthday!

J. T. BOONE, Capt. (MC) USN,
Medical Officer in Command.

WAR FILMS SHOWN HERE

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The source of these films is both military and commercial. Many of the films are actually filmed by our allies under fire. All are official true films depicting this war.

Here is your chance to see the actual films of the allies at war.

INSURANCE UNAFFECTED BY DISCHARGE

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Checks, drafts, or money orders should be made payable to the "Treasurer of the United States" and mailed to the Collections Subdivision, Veterans' Administration, Washington 25, D. C. To avoid lapse, forward your premiums promptly.

If you desire, you can change to a quarterly, semi-annual or annual method of making your premium payments. If you select one of these methods as a means of paying for your NSI, you will be given a discount of 3 per cent on the premiums paid more than one month in advance of the due date. The method of paying your premiums may be changed at any time by notice in writing to the Veterans' Administration.

The 5-Year Plan and Conversion

NSI is issued originally as a 5-Year Level Premium Term Insurance. Premiums on this insurance plan remains the same for five years after the effective date of your insurance. Your insurance may be "converted" (changed) without any increase in premium at any time when it is in force, after you have had it for one year and before the end of the five-year period (without taking a medical examination), into one of three types of insurance plans:

ORDINARY LIFE is the lowest costing form of permanent insurance—but you must always pay the premiums, as long as you live.

20-YEAR PAYMENT has the highest premium rate of the three plans, but is all paid up in 20 years, and the insurance continues in force for the remainder of your life for the face amount of the policy.

30-YEAR PAYMENT is the same as the 20-Year Payment Plan, except that you pay for 10 years longer, and at the end of that time the policy is all paid up.

Additional information may be obtained from Mr. Meyers, Veterans' Administration director at this hospital in the Recreation building.

PAYMASTER BECOMES PAPA

A future banker was added to the financial world with the birth of a 6 lb. 6 oz. baby boy on July 31, 1944. Its father, Lt. (jg) G. P. Maynard, is exceedingly popular at this hospital on pay days.

Chaplain's Corner

DIVINE SERVICES

Recreation Hall

CATHOLIC

ChaplainOliver P. Zinnen
Sunday Mass.....0630, 0730 and 0930
Week-day Mass.....0620, (unless otherwise announced).
Confessions: Before every Mass in the Recreation Hall. Saturdays: 1530 to 1700, and after the first movie, in the Chaplain's Office. When there is no movie, 1800 to 1930.

PROTESTANT

Chaplain.....G. W. J. Hartzel
Holy Communion.....0830
Morning Prayer and Sermon.....1030
Choir Rehearsal.....Wednesdays 1700

True Prayer

Every true prayer has its background and its foreground. The foreground of prayer is the intense, immediate desire for a certain blessing which seems to be absolutely necessary for the soul to have; the background of prayer is the quiet, earnest desire that the will of God, whatever it may be, should be done. What a picture is the perfect prayer of Jesus in Gethsemane! In front burns the strong desire to escape death and to live; but behind there stands, calm and strong, the craving of the whole life for the doing of the will of God . . . Leave out the foreground, let there be no expression of the will of him who prays, and there is left a pure submission which is almost fatalism. Leave out the background, let there be no acceptance of the will of God, and the prayer is only an expression of self-will, a petulant claiming of the uncorrected choice of him who prays. Only when the two, foreground and background, are there together, the special desire resting on the Universal submission, the universal submission opening into the special desire, only then is the picture perfect and the prayer complete.

PHILLIPS BROOKS.



"What are the total Naval losses in ships since the start of the war?"

Answer: Figures released as of 12 June 1944 show 121 vessels sunk; 29 presumed lost; and 9 destroyed to prevent capture.

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"I say that the USS Dallas is a cruiser, my buddy says it is a destroyer, who is right?"

Answer: Your buddy. It is a destroyer named after an early American Naval hero.

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IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION ON NAVAL CUSTOMS, ETIQUETTE, SHIPS OR POLICY SEND IT IN TO THE STETHOSCOPE AND WE WILL ENDEAVOR TO GIVE YOU THE STRAIGHT DOPE.



Matrimonial mergings: Joan Lunde and her Navy man from Alaska, and Virginia O'Connor and Chief Knutson, formerly of the Personnel office, both weddings on Saturday the 29th of July. Our best wishes to the two happy couples.

Bon voyage: to Louise Carr, PhM3c, who leaves shortly for new duty at the Medical Storeroom at Pier 91. Sounds like good duty. And to Alice Williams, H.A.1c, who will depart for San Leandro, California for N.P. technician duty. Say hello to Dr. Hill for us, Alice.

Sidelights: Numerous picnics held by Physio, X-Ray, Property Accounting etc. Can't get any details on any of them, so they really must have been good ones! Just one bit, however, for Verna Moser, PhM2c, who has gone for picnics in a big way: your swimming ability is improving.

July 30, 1944—Second Birthday of the WAVES. The program in Seattle was held at Victory Square, commemorating the second anniversary of the Women's Reserve of the Navy. Speakers on the program included Admiral S. A. Taffinder, Commandant of the 13th Naval District, Lt. Comdr. Mary Daily, District Director of the Women's Reserve, and Jane Dean, SK3c, who told of her escape from France in 1941.

A brief description of the rates for which WAVES can strike was given, and 10 girls were sworn into the Women's Reserve. The WAVES chorus from Pier 91 entertained during the program with favorite WAVE songs. A luncheon at the YWCA concluded the program. The 13th Naval District has added quite a number of WAVES to its roster, having but 300 last July 30th and over 2000 now. At our hospital alone the list has grown from 36 to almost 250. At that rate we'll have to start an addition to our new house on the hill, or hang hammocks between the bunks. No thanks, I'll sleep on the deck.

TAILOR SHOP RATES "BUSIEST DEPARTMENT" TITLE...



Master of the Tailor Shop staff finds in left to right order: John Mylly, civilian; L. B. Shawl, Corp.; Don Kerr, S1c; N. J. McCloskey, Corp; Donna Burns, Civilian; L. R. Wilson, PhM1c; Paul Lehan, PhM3c.



We take this opportunity to introduce "Skeet" Aton, PhM3c, "sheriff" of the Corp's quarters barracks detail. Skeet played pro golf with some of the finest in this country. He qualified and contended in the Washington State open tournament against some of the best. Skeet hails from Miami, Fla. where the weather is always the best for golf.

Skeet tells us of the time he played on a course where they had a water hazard, one of those fast little streams with plenty of golf balls in it. He teed off and let one drive down the fairway, his ball stopping on a little hill above the stream. On his second shot he made a beautiful top shot and the ball flew straight as an arrow into the water. There was a little commotion and when it had subsided, lo and behold, the finest rainbow trout floated to the surface in a dead faint. To climax the story, Skeet

finished the course in par and had a good fish dinner besides. We are wondering if he wasn't pulling our leg, this being a new version of a fish story.

We are curious to know who the corpsman was that started out to answer an ambulance call dressed in his Navy jumper, Bob Evans' hat and skivvy shorts. The story we heard was, that he was awakened on the ambulance watch at the garage the other night and told to get moving. Arising from a deep sleep and hurriedly dressing in the above named manner, he started to take off when the night dispatcher pounced on him before any damage could be done. Is this true, Brill?

We welcome any stories or anecdotes in the sporting field of our patients or corpsmen. If you think it has news value, or it's funny, don't keep it to yourself, let this column know about it and we'll see that everyone gets it.

Hissing of exhaust steam marks the little 15 by 28-foot Ship's Service Tailor Shop in the Recreation building that boasts perpetual activity.

The production record approaches capacity figures with a weekly total of approximately 350 uniforms cleaned, plus 150 press jobs in addition to numerous cleaning and pressing jobs for dependents.

Alterations run well over 150 pieces weekly which varies from minor sewing to major re-tailoring. Recent increases have been noted since the hospital painting campaign started.

A staff of seven under the leadership of L. R. Wilson, PhM1c, keep the packed shop humming. Tailors with the department are John Mylly, civilian, and Don Kerr, S1c. Pressing machines steam throughout the day under the guidance of N. J. McCloskey, corporal, and L. R. Wilson, PhM1c. Other assistants in this bushelman's beehive are Paul Lehan, PhM3c; Pete Everell, Pfc.; L. B. Shawl, Corp.; Donna Burns, civilian.

Golf Class Open To More Patients

The Physical Training Department would like to increase the size of the golf class, conducted every Thursday from 1300 to 1500 at Jackson Park Golf Course.

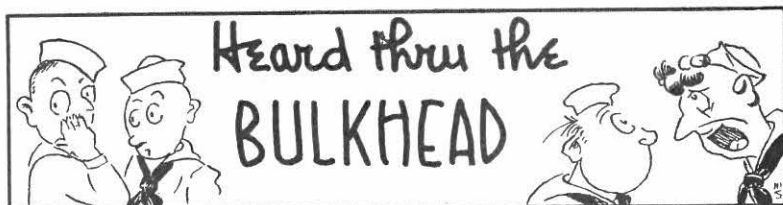
Classes are open to patients only, and if you desire to participate in this class, get a permit from your ward doctor and present it when you sign up. You need not rate liberty to attend this class. Sign up in the Recreation office before 1600 on Wednesdays. The class musters at the Main Gate at 1225. Golf equipment is furnished and the use of the course is free of charge.

EVENING RECREATION HITS NEW HIGH IN HOSP.

Recreation in the form of sports and games increased considerably during the last month, patients and corpsmen taking advantage of twilight exercise, registered over 400 calls for athletic gear from the Athletic Gear Locker which is open daily until 2100 for the purpose of issuing athletic equipment.

SWAB STORY





PhM2c H. K. Hundley, arch villain of the gay blades drew a blank the other night when he dated a Wave whose tastes ran to soda pop and rollercoasters. As soon as he cools down enough to pronounce words again, we'll question him further.

**"Tis sweet to love
But, oh how bitter,
To love a girl
And then not gitter."**

Area by the sign post on Adak drive seems to resemble Grand Central Park in the evening about 1700. Couples! Couples! Couples! Could they be making the draining ditch into a lake for boating?

It's Rinso

Corpsman: "Doctor, I think that the Lieutenant is feeling better."

Doctor: "How can you tell?"

Corpsman: "Well, this morning he wanted to blow the foam off his medicine."

Cupid received a severe setback last week with transfer of WAVE Dixie Dacey to a dispensary in Oregon. She was to have married PhM3c Higginbotham last Saturday night, with everything set but the preacher.

A GI haircut is a scrubbing brush that breathes.

Wrong Patient

Navy Doctor: "I Can't find any cause for your trouble. I think it's due to drinking."

Sailor: "Well, maybe I'd better come back sometime when you're sober."

The moaning and groaning in Chief Taylor's rooming house (better known as the Corpsmen Quarters) quotes:

"I don't know whose bunk this is . . . but they sure will pay . . . \$!:&%%" (—)

"I'm going to start to stop these goin's on in dese barracks."

"When are you guys going to start field day?"

SHORT QUOTES:

"My Wave is smarter than your Wave, mine's a third class."

The violent discussion in the Chief's mess on the benefits of a 1-horse,, 5-horse outboard motor. My my and tsk tsk.

A pal of ours landed a soft job. He's in a bloomer factory now, pulling down about two thousand a year.

Open letter to Mr. Edick:

Dear Sir:

A certain bangtail named "Anna Tino" has been reported crawling into your pocketbook. She was a hot tip during the last war! Remember?

Meet Your Doctor . . .

LT. COMDR. AUSTIN G. FRIEND

"I was born at the turn of the Century 'mid the autumn glories of Wolfe Island in the St. Lawrence river of Canada," quoth silver-tongued Lt. Comdr. Austin G. Friend, medical officer of the SOQ's and cardiologist at this hospital.

Doctor Friend boasts 20 years of private practice in Seattle, part of which time, he has also served on the Board of Governors and Board of Trustees of Seattle General Hospital. As a cardiologist, the Lt. Comdr. ranks tops, for he can note in an instant when your valves need grinding. As an accurate interpreter of electrocardiograms, he is among the best in the Northwest. Intricate knowledge of heart disease is borne out by the doctor's personal research tour that in the course of his practice, has been conducted in nine different medical centers in North America.

He is a member of the King County Medical Society, Washington State Medical Society, American Heart Association, California Heart Association, and the San Francisco Heart Committee.

In true "King's Row" fashion, Dr.



Lt. Comdr. Austin G. Friend

Friend was developed from diaper to doctor by a neighboring hometown physician. Upon completion of his University education, he taught school for a year and then went on to medical college.

Though born on Wolfe Island, the doctor displays no such characteristics. He's an ardent fisherman, has almost a bigger investment in photography than in the medical profession, and above all, is the proud daddy of a bright, energetic son and delightful daughter.

Advice

to the

Lovelorn

By DOCTOR QUACK

Dear Dr. Quack:

Having seen your column and seeing how you answer so good the advice to the lovelorn, would you please give me some advice.

I am unreasonably good looking, in the Navy and can deliver the mail. As they advertise, it is no trouble for a sailor to get a girl, but I can't seem to get a good looker. My English is a little broken, and education of grade school completion. I've considered taking a course of something or another at the school up in the Educational building. I am a Mail Specialist 2c, and make good money and have a car.

Hopelessly,
Postoffice Bonny

Dear P. B.

The original spelling on your letter was atrocious, and I have every reason to suspect that you cannot read either judging from the mail service around here lately. Yes, I think you have constructive ambitions in attending self improve-classes on the station. As soon as you improve your mind scholastically, arrange for an appointment in the EENT clinic for a halitosis and bloodshot eye overhauling.

Ashamed of you,
DR. I. QUACK.

Dear Readers:

Due to an increase of requests for mates (the opposite sex variety) Dr. Quack can no longer handle this service personally and has been forced to organize a DATE BUREAU. As usual there will be no charge for services rendered. Kindly make your "Mate Quests" in person to The Stethoscope office next to the Movie Booth.

DATE BUREAU

J. E. McGinnis, PhM3c, Laboratory, is anxious to meet a liberty companion of the female species. Must be under 5 foot 5 inches and single. Waves considered.

Mail your domestic troubles to Dr. Quack in care of the Stethoscope and they will be promptly solved . . . If you wish a private answer please include a self-addressed envelope.

Pinups of Our Personnel . . .

SON OF
PHM3c C. McGUE



"Tommy" McGue, though only 22 months old, will play quarterback for Notre Dame in 1962, according to his papa, Charles J. McGue, PhM3c, who is stationed at this hospital. Tommy, born in Mansfield, Ohio, was only 3 weeks old when his daddy enlisted in the Navy and weighed 8 lbs. 5 oz. at birth.

DAUGHTER OF
GM3c MORRISSETTE



Cuter than her picture is Patricia Lee Morrisette, who at the age of 20 months, is just beginning to understand that her daddy, W. L. Morrisette, a patient in Ward 20, will soon come home to Los Angeles and see her again. Before joining the Navy, father Morrisette was an aircraft inspector in L. A.



"He always waits up for me when I go out on a date."